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**VIA FOIAonline**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Region 4 Freedom of Information  
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**Re: Freedom of Information Act Request – Records Relating to West Rankin  
Utility Authority NPDES Application for Permit No. MS0061743**

Dear Sir or Madam:

I write to request that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) provide copies of the records described below pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the EPA regulations, 40 C.F.R. § 2.100 *et seq.* This request seeks records relating to the Agency’s review and approval of NPDES Application for Permit No. MS0061743 (“Permit”) issued to the West Rankin Utility Authority by the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (“MDEQ”) on April 14, 2015.

Records requested: This request seeks copies of any records associated with the EPA’s review and approval of the above-referenced Permit, including but not limited to any correspondence between EPA and MDEQ, any internal review memoranda, staff notes, or internal or external emails, and a final approval document, if any, provided to MDEQ. We believe this decision would have been made between the dates of November 30, 2011 (date Permit application was submitted to MDEQ) and April 14, 2015.

For the purposes of this request, “records” includes (in electronic and/or hard copy form) letters, emails, authorizations, memoranda, and guidance documents. EPA is hereby authorized to incur up to \$250 in costs for the purposes of fulfilling this request for which AquaLaw PLC will be responsible. In the event that the cost of meeting this request is greater than \$250, please incur up to \$250 in initial costs and then notify me that there are additional records to be obtained and provide an estimate of the cost to obtain all additional records sought by this request and not captured in the initial \$250 limit.

Records Claimed as Exempt: Should EPA respond by invoking a FOIA exemption with respect to any of the records requested herein, please include in your response (1) basic factual material about the withheld item, including author/originator, date created/revised, length, general subject matter, and location; and (2) explanation(s) and justification(s) for withholding of record, including identification of claimed exemption and a full explanation of applicability of claimed exemption to the requested record. Where only a portion of a record is exempt from disclosure, please redact the exempt portion, providing the information requested above regarding the exempt material, and provide the remainder of the record.

Record Delivery: Please produce the records requested herein on a rolling basis as they become available; please do not delay the production of records identified by EPA for production because of difficulty locating, or concerns regarding the production of, other records. Please deliver the records requested herein as soon as possible to:

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If electronic delivery is more convenient, the requested records may be sent as electronic files by email to [Justin@AquaLaw.com](mailto:Justin@AquaLaw.com) or delivered on compact disk or other appropriate storage media.

If you have questions or require additional information concerning this request, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone (804.716.9021 x206) or email ([Justin@AquaLaw.com](mailto:Justin@AquaLaw.com)). Thank you.

Sincerely,



Justin W. Curtis